

SENATE BILL 1820

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 57,
Chapter 4, relative to consumption of alcoholic
beverages on the premises.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 57-4-101, is amended by adding the following new subsection (p):

(p) An entity licensed or applying for a license under subsection (a) may include in the entity's designation of its premises any contiguous area owned or controlled by the entity for purposes of on-premises consumption of alcoholic beverages. If the contiguous area used for on-premises consumption is unenclosed, the entity shall make reasonable efforts to ensure that a customer cannot leave the premises with an alcoholic beverage purchased on the premises. If more than one (1) entity licensed under subsection (a) operates within the same building or facility, the designations of premises under this subsection (p) may overlap; provided, that each entity serves alcoholic beverages in a glass or cup identifying the entity selling the alcoholic beverages for on-premises consumption.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 57-4-203(e)(2), is amended by deleting the subdivision and substituting instead the following:

(2) A licensee shall not give away any such sealed package or any drink of wine or alcoholic beverage to any patron or customer; provided, that:

(A) A hotel licensed under this chapter may include as part of the accommodations to a registered guest the provision of up to four (4) seven

hundred fifty milliliter (750 ml.) or smaller complimentary sealed packages of wine or alcoholic beverages for which all applicable taxes have been paid; and

(B) A licensee may serve a sample of wine to a patron or customer that does not exceed one ounce (1 oz.).

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.